

he imagined a spirit clothed itself with matter; it be-

the moment a spirit clothed itself with matter, it became of matter, felt heat and cold, hunger and thirst, and that a process analogous to death had to be endured was thrown off. As I never dreaded death, and was in the trials of life, I dared all that the learned doctor said, making no material body. We then went to work, and at a science meeting of the science, and found more

"But this was not the height of my ambition; I felt reform the world, which the good doctor perceived, and I was determined that other means than those

ing, while he expounded his views upon the subject of having recourse, were then in progress by advanced typists gratified my curiosity by showing me the process of a natural body. Weary with walking and hungry, it was that we should rest under the shade of a tree, and the ladies, bent, being near the banks of a river, I preferred to sit down. We separated; I took the water, and soon I found myself at home. The doctor proposed to die with a world of spirits, but the doctor proposed to die with a world of spirits, and then he explained to me the conditions of freedom. The various angles of the world to make the conditions more favorable.

The land had permitted the present influx of its intelligent, rational beings, capable of understanding truth in a rational way and of their own free will, to believe that it was not in the order of things that they should exist as intelligent, rational beings, added to give the position which they now occupy by the darkness of their eyes.

spirits can clothe themselves with natural bodies, but pain, for frequently the diseases of which they died the Sorrows of their first departure are repeated. We at longest is but a troubled dream, and, knowing this about the wants of the body—for these constitute the more than you would be apt to suppose. Having no death, it frequently embodies itself and walk among the — The song is of the Lord, His movements to do His will, and how graciously He will let the earth know

"The people of earth, who have a longing desire, ought to reflect on the probable pain their world has apparent, even at the case of mediums, which taken possession of them, they are obliged to undergo. They should consider the consolation which marked their life, and let it increase remember, that to see their friends, and to be united to them, is their greatest wish."

— But again, are we making great progress in simplifying science down with intellect, so that on the edge of a technical revolution, the reader can learn conditions, to hold in

they depend. I friends. Some of the wisest spirits are able to appear in our palaces and lecture rooms, down from on high for the spreading of humanity. I need hear in the world of spirits, it is evident to me by the poet by the stream—now dancing to a close, a social and politic life without end. Let mortals see, and trust in the Lord, and do good, while they live, on earth. His will be done!"

It may be necessary to add that although the spirits draw *him* away from the party by whom he was invited, and do not find up bodies from external nature, Frankan and myself cloth ourselves. The masses of spirits make the masses visible and tangible as we do that even Frankan himself, with all his knowledge, then, some can flash themselves, quick as thought, others take to labor long and assiduously to produce a table. But let our friends on earth be sure of one

Any one would infer from the above that a spirit of death occurs as often as desirable. What is your opinion?

glance for a moment at the mechanism of the rib pastorage, slips the tender blade of grass, running back, and breathes the fresh air, and a snowy whiteness comes forth on its body. The cotary of the animal, manufactured the wool from its atmosphere. When a little lamb it only weighed six pounds. From those three sources, its charactered sixty five pounds of mutton. This, in the hands of an Englishman, is made into a coat.

an animal weighing only ten pounds, who enters a manufacturing establishment, making from ten to a year. Now, in glorification of my subject, I desire to see in this life, so devoted to the elements, spiritual wood. You one with, who desire the same to form your sheep to eliminate it for you. They go to the mare you wish enough, you could go there too, with its gaudy colors, at the birds of the air with it. Each one carries a different chemical laboratory.

Unfathomable comprehend the blending of colors.
A cow which can extract milk from grass, most be
chemical process to do the same things. That cow
once a seed that can germinate and unfold a brand
most excellent furlet. In fact, That which creates a
furlet soft for beautiful feathers.

from grass, wood, milk, and honey, to accomplish the same thing, himself, herself or itself, go as far as to that which, the great Creative Power already understood that process. When this Power already intimated that animals must be dispensed with, it was imparted to earth's children which will be to the source but a supply of milk, butter and meat. Intellect must indeed be nigh in comprehension the human mind superior to the body of the slave.

"Inquiries.—Your ideas are peculiar, sir; in relation to the materialization of the spirit, and the resurrection of the body, which it obtains from certain elements, and which light is gradually dissipated. The time will come when materialized as to be retained indefinitely. Man's infancy. Ten years will work marvelous change in physical organization, it must be dissipated by the light of life. Of course, such would be death to the body."

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INQUEST—Will the time ever arrive, when dead Inquest—That period will exist, but it is fa-

earth will become so spiritualized and refined, the consciousness will be retained throughout. gross yet, and the emanations therefrom are not spiritual growth and development. The condition what are absolutely required. The ancient sages live in the atmosphere of to-day a single moment required gross conditions. Those human beings sphere, living in caves and holes in the ground, c

if alive at this time. The physical condition of the race is improving, and as it advances, the human race is in a higher condition. The physical force of to-day which existed twenty thousand years ago. The elements surrounding it becoming more refined to do whatever to do with motion of the earth in space with its advancement in spirituality, or in the has always distinguished it. But he moves forward as rapidly as its physical condition will permit.

when the exterior body will become so spiritual
but little resemblance between it and those possi-
ent. Death then will lose all of its terrors.

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Death, and the Spirit-World.

Mourning and Funerals.

THE EMPLOYMENTS OF SPIRITS.

Mr. Peebles lectures at Grow's Opera Hall,

has attracted large and enthusiastic audiences,

to listen to his burning words of eloquence.

Indeed, it seemed, like old times, to witness

such a large assemblage of spiritualists. At

the reading, singing, and in invocation, the

speaker announced the text:

"And God shall wipe away all tears from

their eyes, and there shall be no more death."

—Rev. 21.

It is no more certain that the term "creation"

must give place to evolution, than that the word

death must be superseded by birth—into the

better life. Life is a continuous process, and

ripples in the endless chain of being—material

ripples upon the measureless ocean of existence.

As effects do not exceed their causes, so

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memory go with us into the future state of ex-

istence.

Baptist churches entertain the most

GLOOMY FETTERINGS OF DEATH.

The Rev. J. J. Smith, Baptist clergyman of

New York, published his doubts in these

words, "Death chills every fiber of my being.

I do not even see through a glass darkly, but

have been in Christ, but the future (dark) and

I will not disguise his fate."

When Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe lived,

several years since, the form of a prevailing

view, she wrote thus, "Who shall tell us the

truth away from the door of the tomb? There

it lies, cold, hard, and senseless, the stone

of silence laid so dead, so cold, so lifeless,

there it has been, so years have melted it, no

prayers pierced it. Nothing about the door of

death is so dreary as this dead initiation-

the cold, there be after the passage of

the earth, on backward signal, the last

word, the heart would be broken."

A late New York *Observer* has this:

"All most every one has at least one lock of hair

cut from the head of one now dwelling in that

silent land whence come no messages or let-

ters, no tokens of any kind to tell of love or

remembrance." This is the status of the

souls, and yet, with all this, the Christian

without any knowledge of a future conscious

existence, and yet with all this, the Christian

poet, Dr. Watts:

"The living know that they must die,

And those who die, they know that they are dead."

Their memory and their sense are gone,

Alike unknown and unknown."

Through orthodox theology will not die in

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growth—a blossoming and ripening up of the

spiritual nature. It comes through the law of

the Chinese, the Buddha of the Orientals, the

law of Jesus, and the Christ of the New Testa-

ment—come as vegetation, flowers, and

fruit of heaven come through the warmth and

light of the sun. This Christ principle is the

"savior of life unto life"—the "morning star"

of the Apocalypse.

SPIRITUALISM IN STATEN

corresponds to soul desire. The future is

largely the counterpart of this world only.

More real and substantial poets come in

these days; astronomers measure space

muses; reformers continue their self-sacrificing

work; an intelligent spirit, recently and

through his medium, "Theodore" later, has

drifted again into confusion, and twice a

week you may see the fair maidens and gal-

lant swains of Spring Garden wading their way

to his beautiful home and garden, in the

suburbs, where, amid the flowers, he delects to

be, in his elegant way, in life and the

attributes of the human soul, and also speaks

earth-experiences."

A great practical man, J. J. Glover, of

Massachusetts, retreating and magnifying, said

of this the Spirit World—

"I am at present doubtful with my excellent

friend, Abraham Lincoln, in the beautiful city

of Springfield. The place comes between

us and seventy thousand inhabi-

tants, a majority of whom are engaged in inter-

city commerce. It might be, as some of our

southern friends would say, 'a place of

concentration' for the production of the

'Theodore' factor. Indeed, it is the sub-

urbs of the city (Spring Garden) not large, but

fertile. And every day troops of

happy spirits go out there to hear him dis-

cuss some subject, or to ask him to

decide some question. I have heard him

speak of the experiences of his earth life. He

stands on the fact that he has been here

with uncovered head, and discusses there as

he never did here, and yet you would think it

was the plain fact that he had been here."

Dr. A. P. Hooker said through Mrs. Conant

of Boston:

"I am very much surprised that in the other

world I should meet with things as natural as

the things of this world. I have seen many

houses and buildings of brick; that there

would be trees and flowers and fruit, and

grasses and the fact that things would grow

that there would be sunsets and shades, and

the fact that things would be as they are

in this world. I have seen many things

that are more and more refined, and so it is."

Among other important things, see that

you see yourself free from all moral disease.

Do not say anything that you will be ashamed

of in the future. If you do, the Christ prin-

ciple of your own soul, for if you do you will

be a slave to it. As clean as life here as it is possible for you

to be, if you wish to escape these Sweden-

borgian plagues, and to be free from them, I

think had I right when he spoke of the hell

of the future life. They are hell, and the

poor unfortunate are writing in them."

Frankie C. Farridge, writing from his

spirit home—Farridge to his parents—

"Spirit life is real, senses corresponding to

those of earth; mountains, valleys clothed

in green, waterfalls, rivers, streams, fields

of flowers, and all that give to life a charm, are

has been so often described, that I must

not repeat it here. It was only a moment

or two, still an object appeared, that I ap-

preciated, that resembled a mass of soft

flour it became more distinct and proved to

be a mass of soft flour, which was waved

to and fro several times. It re-

minded me of the Scripture saying of olden

times, "It was white as snow, fuller colored

than I." Presently

A FACE APPEARED.

a little indistinct at first, but it grew more

more distinct as I gave response. I called

over the names of a number of deceased rela-

tives, and I got invariably a negative response.

But soon the features of a dear friend, whom

our earth I loved very much, came vividly be-

fore my mind's eye, accompanied by a strong

magnetic light, or shudder, that can be known

only appreciated fully by the mediumistic

faculty.

Before leaving the scene, Mrs. S. was

controlled by Owsen, and said, "You know

that?" "I guess so," I said, "but am not

right sure. Who was it?" Owsen

said, "It was the same man. He thinks

of you. He comes again. This first time

he came to tell you that he was coming

to-morrow night, and she realized better still,

and you will know her."

"I said, I said, and went to Dr. S.

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BY W. F. EVANS.

A NEW FEATURE.

Materialized Spirit-Forms Under Extraordinary Test Conditions through Bastian and Taylor.

TO THE EDITOR:—Dear Sir:—In furtherance of the great truths of Spiritualism, which are each day receiving more and more wide-spread recognition, I have been endeavoring to induce spirits in their efforts to remove from their mediums the influence of the material world. In this connection, I have been requested by the company present to give an account of a séance held at my residence on the 11th inst., at 10 o'clock, P. M., March 11th. Our company was selected from the following list of names:—
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We now resumed our seats, and began sliding again (the gas burning low, but leaving every object distinctly visible), all eyes fixed ecstatically upon the mysterious black creature who had returned to earth to display themselves once more to our longing gaze. There was considerable shuffling of feet, and the throng of spectators, as if robbed in white, and looking about like enough, parted them, and stood on in front for a moment only, as the gas burned low, and the scene as a whole assumed a stage rather uncomfortable. The arms were partially extended, with a graceful sort of half balancing, half swimming movement. "Na!" answered "George," promptly; "it was his Oriental gentleman! Now the form is changed again, with the same graceful, trim, and elegant movements, and the same elegant and retiring glances. Once more he reappeared, stronger, more distinct. Now it is for me!" cried "George," and he was in the air. "It is a G. O. G.," answered "George," promptly.

folded down, which the white drapery upon the head of a deceased Western fashion, was the only thing that was not of the same color. "At times, the figure stretched out a bare dark foot, which was clearly non; this he did several times, and then he would stretch out his feet was unmistakably Indian. The spirit had frequently retired to gain strength; and on the appearance of the spirit, he had been seen appearing step out with more strength, his arms were extended, and he had been seen a little nearer—may I touch your hand?" slowly he advanced, with difficulty, as if he were struggling with some great power, and out one hand. Once more their hands were clasped in unending love, bridged over the great chasm of the dead. The spirit again marvelous manner. The spirit again retiring, and the young man, who had been seen to advance half way to the cabin met Mr. Colman did so. Out again came the spirit, and he was seen to have cleared his right hand in his, and laid the left as if in blessing upon the young man's forehead. The spirit again retired, and the young man, sister, this spirit spoke in a whisper so faint it could hardly be heard, and disappeared for the last time.

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The gentlemen were requested to join again and examine; the tests were found unbroken. The magnetic field was found to be in the forms. "Johnny asked for a pair of scissors," they were handed in, and shortly for the first time the tests were found broken. "Good-night." Our friends went into the other room, and found the strings had been broken. Mr. Bastian, waking out of his trance, was in the bag, and the papers on the door were found broken.

A sensitive entering the room afterwards said in full ecstasy as if a corpse had been laid out, "I have seen the dead, and the fall of odorous atoms floating about." This inquiry arose in my mind. Can it be that inquiry is a process of the mind, and that the atmosphere surrounding the body becomes loaded with atoms, which at a certain period of time are broken up, and the atoms are employed by the spirit; and may it not be a question of the mind, and may it not be a question of the mind, and may it not be a question of the mind? I throw this out as an inquiry, not pretending to any scientific knowledge.

Thus ended one of the most remarkable
 sojourns ever recorded. I append, by request,
 the names of the parties present, and remain,
 yours truly,
 GEORGE HEWLETT POTTS.

Miss VIGOROUS.
 Mrs. WOODWARD.
 Miss LODGE.
 Mr. ARTHUR.

MR. P. LORELLARD RONALDS
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JULY
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8 Maitland Park Road Haverstock Hill,
V. March 13th, 1875.—*Medium and Deybers*
London.

BACK OF A PIN

Spirits Watch Its Course in the Body.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO INVESTIGATE THE CASE.

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S. W. LANGHORNE,
CHARLES RICH,
WALTER COOPER,
S. B. BOWEN,
JAS. D. CHERNUT.

MINORITY REPORT

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Bozeman, Montana Ter.

U. EDWARDS,

An Excellent Test Letter.

RETURN OF A WELL-KNOWN SPIRITUALIST
36 HOURS AFTER LEAVING THE FORM.

(See ordinary notice in this paper.)

CLAYLAND, O., March 19th, '75.

MR. D. A. EDDY, MY DEAR SIR:—As you request I make the following statement: On Monday last, March 8th, at 2 P. M. I called on the rooms of Mrs. A. F. Paine, 25 Powers Street, for the purpose of receiving a communication from some of the Spirit Friends in regard to an important Spiritual movement about to be inaugurated.

which I am actually and deeply interested in. The first spiritual control was by "Cori," the attending spirit of the medium, who there was a spirit present that wished to assume the form of a man, and I was in the form, and that he was a well-known Spiritualist of Cleveland; a very pleasant, rather flashy, stout looking gentleman, he said he was a Spiritualist, and he would speak to me, and that I knew him. After a few minutes, and the control of Cori, the medium shook my hands very warmly, and said, "I am glad to meet you," and follows: "I am very glad, my old friend, that you are the first Spiritualist of this country to speak to me. You know me. My name is Cori, and I am a Spiritualist, and I am very excited, as I had not even so much as heard his being sick."

Yes, yes, I left the room very recently.

"How long is it?" I inquired.

"About three or four hours ago, and I must tell you that for the past two or weeks I had a strong desire to visit this but was always hindered by some passing illness of the moment, but after my departing to consciousness, I came directly and am really glad. I can tell you -

- THE HEREAFTER

is a truth, a glorious truth. As some of family were rather skeptical, I would earnestly ask them to investigate more; I will try to communicate through this medium with any friend that will please to me here. Good bye"

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(Signed) JOHN A. HEINSHOW

"I immediately on receipt of the communication in the foregoing statement Mr. Heinshow dispatched a note to Capt. E. Turner, who resides on the West Side, the residence of the deceased, inquiring was really so that he had passed on. Turner had not heard of his departure, and inquiry found it was really so, and accordingly, so I am informed. The man was a stranger to Bro. Pratt, and knew not of his sickness or decease at this time.

D. A.

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H. N. MAGUIRE.
Bozeman, Montana Ter.

A Blind Man Sees to Reach

SPIRITUALISM IN THE FAR DOWN EAST.

HARRIS, Me., April 4th, 1875.

MR EDITOR—I am a reader of your very excellent paper, which reaches our way down east city weekly, leading me to the grand river from the west side of it. I am glad to see the many developments of mediums in your western country, and that you sustain and uphold them as bearers of messages from the loved ones over the river. It is no doubt interesting to many of your readers to hear of such things, and especially so, when they are different kinds of manifestations that are taking place at this day, and judging from the present may take place in the next twenty-five years to come.

new phases of mediumship are confined to your Western country alone, for away "do East," on the shores of old Penobscot, we can boast of many good and wonderful mediums, one of whom I have been much interested in of late, as having a beautiful gift, a gentleman by the name of W. B. Merrill, who in early life studied and commenced the practice of medicine, but while compounding some chemicals they exploded, filling both eyes and causing him to lose his sight.

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utters a prayer for poor heart-broken Judas.

finest residences in the country, with Sam-

